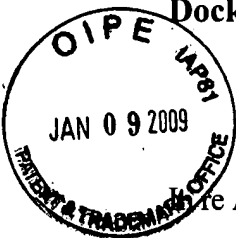


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**RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of December 24, 2008, the applicant elects I, claims 1 to 32, drawn to a device for preparation of an analyte. Please examine the application.

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